

Grade 6 Writing Scoring Rubric

Tier 3

Rubric Elements	Full Evidence	Partial Evidence	Limited	Unrelated
			Evidence	Evidence
Organization – The essay addresses a specified topic and is organized to describe two opposing conditions (e.g., compare/contrast).	The essay includes at a minimum: an introduction that presents the two opposing conditions a body that includes: o one activity common to both conditions o one activity related to each of the two opposing conditions a conclusion that states the two opposing conditions	The essay includes at a minimum: an introduction that presents the topic a body that includes: o one activity common to both conditions o one activity related to one of the two opposing conditions a conclusion that states the topic	The essay includes at a minimum some evidence related to the specified topic (i.e., introduction, compare/contrast relationship, or conclusion).	There is no evidence of organization or the evidence is off topic.
Idea Development – The essay develops a topic, includes relevant facts and details, to promote meaning and create clarity.	The essay includes at a minimum: one activity related to both conditions with a relevant detail one activity related to each of the two opposing conditions, each with relevant details	The essay includes at a minimum: two activities with relevant details	The essay includes at a minimum an activity or a detail that describes an activity.	There is no evidence of idea development or the evidence is off topic.
Conventions – Students use standard English conventions (subject-verb agreement).	The essay includes more than one sentence and at a minimum: capitalization at the beginning of the majority of thought units end punctuation for the majority of thought units one complete sentence that expresses an idea with subject/verb agreement Ex: "The dog runs."	 The essay includes at a minimum: capitalization to begin one thought unit end punctuation for one thought unit one complete sentence with subject/verb agreement 	The essay includes at a minimum one use of Standard English conventions.	There is no evidence of Standard English conventions.



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Tier 2

Rubric Elements	Full Evidence	Partial Evidence	Limited Evidence	Unrelated Evidence
Organization – The essay addresses a specified topic and is organized to describe two opposing conditions (e.g., compare/contrast).	The essay includes at a minimum: an introduction that states the essay is about two opposing conditions a body that includes: one activity for each of the two opposing conditions; and one activity common to both conditions a conclusion that states two opposing conditions or summarizes the content	The essay includes at a minimum: an introduction that states one activity or topic a body that relates two conditions with activities a conclusion that states an activity or the topic	The essay includes at a minimum some evidence related to the specified topic (i.e., introduction, compare/contrast relationship, or conclusion).	There is no evidence of organization or the evidence is off topic.
Idea Development – The essay develops a topic, includes relevant facts and details to promote meaning and create clarity.	The essay includes at a minimum: three activities, each with relevant details (the same detail may be used for all activities if relevant to each)	The essay includes at a minimum: one activity with a relevant detail	The essay includes at a minimum a detail that describes an activity.	There is no evidence of idea development or the evidence is off topic.
Conventions – Students use standard English conventions (subjectverb agreement).	The essay includes more than one sentence and at a minimum: □ end punctuation for more than one thought unit □ one complete sentence that expresses an idea with subject/verb agreement Ex: "The dog runs."	The essay includes at a minimum: end punctuation for one thought unit one complete sentence with or without subject/verb agreement	The essay includes at a minimum one use of Standard English conventions.	There is no evidence of Standard English conventions.